

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES,

JANUARY 26, 1857.

Read twice, and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

FEBRUARY 7, 1857.

Reported with an amendment, viz: Add the additional sections printed in *italics*.

AN ACT

To increase the pay of the officers of the army.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That from and after the commencement of the present fiscal
4 year the pay of each commissioned officer of the army, inclu-
5 ding military storekeepers, shall be increased twenty dollars
6 per month, and that the commutation price of officers' sub-
7 sistence shall be thirty cents per ration.

1 **SEC. 2.** *And be it further enacted,* That the Secretary
2 of War be authorized, on the recommendation of the council
3 of administration, to extend the additional pay herein provided
4 to any person serving as chaplain at any post of the army.

1 **SEC. 3.** *And be it further enacted, That from and*

2 *after the passage of this act additional or double rations for*
3 *command are prohibited, and all laws contrary to the provisions*
4 *of sections of this law be, and the same are hereby, repealed.*

1 SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted, That the words “non-*
2 *commissioned officers, musicians, and privates,” in the first*
3 *section of the act entitled “An act to increase the pay of the*
4 *rank and file of the army, and to encourage enlistments,” ap-*
5 *proved August fourth, eighteen hundred and fifty-four, shall be*
6 *construed to include all enlisted men of the army of the*
7 *United States.*